

REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated February 7, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on May 7, 2005. Applicants request entry and consideration of the substitute claims and the following remarks in response to the Office Action.

RESTRICTION:

Claims 1-42 are pending in the Application and stand restricted under 35 U.S.C. §121. In response thereto, Applicants hereby elect claims 1-36, identified as Group I, for prosecution in the present application, with traverse.

CLAIM REJECTIONS:

Claims 1-3, 7, 11-12, 15, 23 and 25-33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,245,857 (*Shamshoum*).

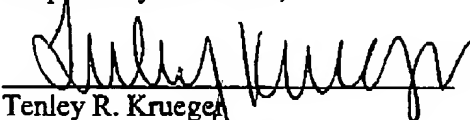
Per the discussion of May 3rd, Applicants have submitted new claims directed to homopolymers of sPP and further submit that *Shamshoum* does not teach, show or suggest the features of the new claims. In particular, *Shamshoum* teaches peak melt temperatures of greater than 328°F in Table 2. Further, *Shamshoum* teaches highly isotactic polypropylene copolymers incorporating less than 7% of syndiotactic polypropylene.

Claims 4-6, 8-10, 13-14, 16-22, 24 and 34-36 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Shamshoum*.

As discussed above, *Shamshoum* does not teach, show or suggest the features of the new claims.

Accordingly, Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request the same.

Respectfully submitted,



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